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Title: FASTENING ELEMENT FOR AN)
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 PROSTHESIS)

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This is in response to the Final Office Action dated November 15, 2005. Please reconsider the application in view of the following remarks.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.